GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7
ANSWERED ON:18.02.2003
IRREGULARITIES IN KENDRIYA BHANDAR
RAGHUNATH JHA

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 431 dated 17.7.02 and state:

(a) whether the Inquiry Officers have since submitted their reports and if so, the details together with findings thereof;

(b) the action taken on those reports and whether any case is made out of them for recovery of losses to the Kendriya Bhandar;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the recoveries are to be made from them and the amount expected thereby;

(d) whether more cases of financial irregularities and misrepresentation of facts and possession of disproportionate assets have come to light and if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to check accumulation of illegal wealth by the employees to strengthen vigilance division and to make it more effective and fully computerize Kendriya Bhandar in all respects so as to plug all the loopholes?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERS(PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS. (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a),(b)&(c): The Inquiry Officers have since submitted the reports in respect of cases mentioned at S.No.4 of Annexure-I relating to Shri D.K. Jain and S.No.3 of Annexure-II relating to Shri M.C. Acharya attached with USQ No. 431 dated 17.7.2002. The competer Authority, after examination of the report of the Inquiry Officer, has withdrawn the charges in respect of Shri D.K. Jain and has imposed a penalty of reversion to the lower post in respect of Shri M.C. Acharya. A case of recovery was made out against Shri M.C. Acharya and the entire amount had already been recovered.

(d): Kendriya Bhandar is examining at present one suspected case of stock discrepancy and one case of possession of disproportionate assets.

(e): Return of Properties have been obtained from officials of the level of Managers and above and investigations are carried out, wherever necessary. The computerization in Kendriya Bhandar is done in phases.